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## SUNDAY AND THE POSTOFFICE

In many cities of the country, large and small, the practice of handling mail on Sunday is being discontinued. The postmaster general has issued an order to stop the delivery of mail where it has been the custom to make Sunday delivery.

In Albuquerque and many other places in New Mexico it has been the custom to have the mail carriers and other postal employees spend one hour a day giving out mail to those who call at the postoffice on Sunday. This, however, does not mean that employees spend half an hour at the postoffice on Sunday. It means that before they can give out any mail they must spend whatever time is required in distributing it prior to the opening of the windows between 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. people in this city call for mail on Sunday.

There has been a tendency during recent years to forget that Sunday is a day of rest and men and women who work for a living have been compelled to work more and more on Sunday.

The postal employees in New Mexico are poorly paid. They work hard for what they do get. It would be only an act of kindness on the part of their fellow men to petition the postmaster general to discontinue the giving out of any mail on Sunday. The hardship on the public would be nil. The rest and quiet that would come to the employees of the postoffices in New Mexico, where Sunday mail is given out, would be worth more to them than paid and hard-working servants of the people, some kindly person could earn the everlasting thanks of Uncle Sam's lettermen by pushing such a petition. They do not keep the stores open until 9 o'clock as they used to do. Why should we break the Sabbath for the postal employees by forcing them to handle mail on a day that they are entitled to? Coming down from church to get your mail, do you stop to think of the other fellow behind the window who couldn't attend services because of you?

## TEXAS AND THE ARMY.

Texas is getting some advertising as the result of the mobilization of troops there. Following are some of the interesting editorial comments:

"Can it be that Uncle Sam is hurrying his troops to Texas to make George Bailey of the Houston Post believe himself?"—Nashville Banner.

We do not know whether they are going into Mexico or not, but the soldiers all say that Texas is the limit.—Charleston News and Courier.

With 20,000 troops in Texas, a feeling of safety from Texas in the rest of the country is greater than ever it was before.—Columbia State.

Here is the thirteenth reason—the other dozen have been printed. The invasion of Texas is to give the moving picture shows some fresh material.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The troops are moving into Texas at a fair rate of speed, but the country will not know just how fast the boys can travel until they are given permission to leave that state.—Birmingham News.

With the mobilization of 20,000 United States regulars in Texas we expect that George Bailey of the Houston Post will keep his office windows open day and night to market to the sweet strains of "Marching Through Georgia" as rendered by the military bands—Schenectady Union.

## NOW IS THE TIME.

If a visitor in your home accidentally should wipe his muddy shoes on your best rug, the lace curtains, the tapestry couch and the portieres, you would call the police if you personally were unable to elect him. Consider then the unmannly and offensive conduct of these first house flies of spring, which are tracking clusters of intestinal germs over the sleeping baby's face, wiping off typhoid germs on the coffee cake and loaded with intestinal germs, occasionally tumbling into the cream pitcher.

It's up to you to fight the flies. It's useless to call the police for such a need. And now is the time to destroy the advance guard of the fly army that is responsible for the death of many persons each summer. A well directed swat right now may mean trillions of flies fewer when the hot weather causes the rapid decay of vegetable and animal matter and

insects stomach the molds and severs and staggers crevices.

The fly hatching do not come with waving banners and sounding drums and glittering weapons but they are more determined than all the standing armies in the world.

The Mexican Herald published in the City of Mexico, dooms its space these days to fighting with the New York Times, whereas no one succeeds, since it is admittedly sub and inferior to this with the exception of who are getting more numerous every day.

The change in conditions in the west is strikingly illustrated in the tendencies that are being made by the towns. Thirty years ago in Albuquerque, the average family had a one room shack and was content. Today the owner of a house without a back yard rents it at any price.

A New York girl housekeeper who stops \$12,000 in two years from her employer says she did it to supply her agent parents with comforts. The cost of the necessities must have risen in New York something terrible.

Peter H. Frost of Bloomingdale, Pa., celebrated his eightieth birthday by sawing wood communally from 5 a.m. until 4 p.m. But he probably didn't perform the rest of the year in sawing nothing."

A dispute says Gen. Dixie Shands so straight that his coat wrinkles in the wash. Also it is pretty certain there has been a few wrinkles in his forehead in the past year.

New York is going to undergo hellish slums. If she will next abolish her rich New York may eventually become a place fit for ordinary people to live in.

Limanious, like many another statesman, has found it good policy to qualify some of his statements after the moment throng has been cleared from the room.

We will all be glad and proud to stir up to the wonder in that new Albuquerque postoffice and say, "Amen" mail for the.

Pending further developments, the war correspondents at San Antonio are resting on their portable typewriters and watching the golden drift.

An epidemic of measles is raging in a certain Arizona town. No one should be surprised as it has always been a mealy town. Name withheld.

Champ Clark is easily enraged taking his presidential train away or saying why it is the wheels won't go around when it starts up.

Milwaukee will have a dairy show it is arranged probably to teach Milwaukee residents that milk, also, is good to drink.

Mr. Taft may have called out the troops because he heard somebody speak of the Mexican rebels as "insurgents."

The Mexican revolution seems to have paused to let the participants go to luncheon.

From the lists of killed and wounded, about all of the real fighting is being done by American insurgents.

The fashion show serves a useful annual purpose in convincing us that the peach crop is all right.

Velvet cuffs for troumers are the latest. Ruffles next, likely.

## COST OF SMALL PUMPING PLANT

With Capacity of 275 to 300 Gallons Per Minute the First Cost is Only \$159.16

so much is said about large and small pumping plants and so much more is known of the large plants than of the small plants, that the Deming Graphic has secured the following personal statement from E. D. Osborn, who is very successfully operating a small plant:

12 to 15 horse power Simms marine motor, 5.0 h. p. Deming..... \$225.00

No. 2½ American pump, capacity 385 gallons per minute..... 65.00

Cost of shafting, pipe, pump frame, bolts and pulleys..... 6.00

Cost of 5x8-foot dug well and 11-foot casing..... 68.00

Cost of engine foundation and installing engine and pump..... 74.40

Total cost..... \$459.16

The present capacity of plant is from 275 to 300 gallons per minute, which is an overload on the pump of from 50 to 65 per cent. With a No. 5½ pump, which will be installed soon, the capacity can easily be increased to 100 gallons per minute.

There is a weir in the ditch, close to the discharge of pump, which permits an accurate measurement of the water at any time.

Mr. Osborn has a small canning factory on his place and has fully demonstrated the enormous profits that can be made on tomatoes alone. This year he will bring out and produce even greater results than last. The Osborns are good people for any community and fine boosters for the Mimbres valley.

## COMMENTS BY THE EDITORS

## THEY LIVE SO LONG

THEY GET TIRED OF IT

White looking over our notes received Sunday morning we noticed two papers recently published from one of the middle western states and on the first page of one there was recorded 11 deaths. On the front page of the second there were nine death notices.

In New Mexico, the land of sunsets, we have some less minor instances of death are very few, and a larger number of them are from old age rather than from any disease. A good percentage of our population has health derived from their eastern homes in regard to health, and in view of this our death rate is considerably less.

We should be grateful indeed that we are not to be any such slouches. But that we have an abundance of healthy old age men of the most robust physique is to be found everywhere and where the people live longest, even apple trees live to be a hundred years old, as is proved by the old Mansfield legend.

Wishes record

## CLEAN COUNTY IS BUT ONE OF MANY

There is no organization in the field of agriculture from all over the country, according to early counts, to success and success is not in this an capital or organization expense, as well as ample labor can be had for the benefit of the people. The organized sections of the country, indeed, have secured good results and are said their new home and related to the more densely populated sections from which they came.

The same is true relative that the individuals, but we must confess people improve a country as it is to help those already there to get greater results in the better and more sections, and a good running time. I am particularly glad that the train men are still planning to put on the road the best that can ever be seen on the Pacific coast. The cars will be of the steel automobile type and will be fitted with every known convenience, and Fred Harvey will have charge of the dining car service.

We already have this determination made, in M. Hunter, who comes to us from the Kansas City and has been with the Santa Fe a few months and has been spending his time in the Panhandle and the Texas cities. So great has been the demand for his services, and so great the results already attained, that a assistant is to be appointed within a very few weeks. Mr. Hunter, who is given the title of agricultural demonstrator, is assisting in various phases of farming. His knowledge has received a large measure of his time, and he has also given out many valuable demonstrations as to the present methods of growing and raising the crops.

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